

CHRIST LIGHT CONNECTION

In the world of internet shopping, we have become skeptical of products that we can't see, feel, or touch ahead of the purchase. We have been burned by the products that show up at our door smaller than they appeared online, cheaply made, or don't function properly. We are skeptical to purchase something without proof that it works. We scour reviews and ratings, searching for proof.

The disciples wanted proof. They had seen Jesus die. His body had been taken off the cross and placed into the tomb. The disciples had been shaken. What they didn't know yet was that Jesus had risen from the grave. He was alive. Jesus, on Easter evening, appeared to those shaken disciples and set their minds and hearts at ease.

But Thomas wasn't there. So, Jesus appeared to him a week later. He didn't have to, but our patient Savior reached out to Thomas and gave him what he was looking for: proof. What was unbelievable just a few days ago, wasn't so far-fetched now that Thomas could see Jesus with his own eyes.

We have doubts, fears, and struggles too. Our patient Savior comes to us with promises that are always reliable. He points us to the cross—proof our sins are forgiven. He points us to the empty tomb—proof that he lives and that the Father has accepted and approved of his payment for sin. He holds out his scarred hands and assures us we have peace with God. Good Friday is the payment for our sins, Easter Sunday is the proof of our salvation through Jesus!

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Activities committee is hosting another Easter Egg Hunt this year! Date: Saturday, April 8 Schedule: 9:30 arrival & Easter Egg Hunt (ages 1-8); 10:00 Activities/Scavenger Hunt (ages 9-13)/Pictures. The younger children will search for Easter eggs around St. Paul's property. The older children will answer trivia questions in order to earn a prize. There will also be snacks, coloring pages, activities, and a photo opportunity with the Easter Bunny. If the weather is bad, the younger kids will do their hunt in the gym.

St. Paul's students will be participating in the MLHS Music & Academic Festival on April 21st and April 22nd. This is an action packed weekend for schools in our federation. Students participate in a Math Bowl, Academic Bowl, Forensics Competition, Spelling Competition and Music performances. Good luck to our competing individuals and teams!









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PARENT TEACHER RIENDSHIP MEETING

Mark your calendars! The PTF will be serving having its final quarterly meeting on Tuesday, April 18th beginning at 6:30pm. Brats and hot dogs with chips will be offered as a supper beforehand. Supper begins at 6:00pm.

Beginning Monday, April 17, Millersville Ave east of the church / school entrance all the way to Hwy 42 will be torn up for repaving. For smoothest drop-off / pick-up, all are asked to approach school from the west, that is, from the Neumann Plumbing & Heating / Knockouts side of the village.

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Mindful Moms is hosting a Mom's Night Out on Tuesday, April 25 at 7:00 at St. Paul's. Moms, come join us for charcuterie, games, and friends! If you're able, please bring one or two ingredients to add to our group charcuterie boards. We will be making two boards-a meat and cheese board and a dessert board. Please RSVP to Amanda Bode at mrsabode@gmail.com or on our Facebook Group.

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We have two rooms in the new facility we would like to name (other than the generic names on the blueprints). The two rooms are the entryway (also currently called the gathering area) and the new meeting room/multi-purpose room. The reason for naming this is that we can't have two commons areas or three entryways into the building (narthex, current school entry and new school entry). It's also for clarity for announcements and print materials to let someone know where to meet. Some suggestions might be for the meeting space: the garden, the shepherd room, the grove. A suggestion for the entry is: Eden or ...? We will sift your suggestions down to the top five for each and have the congregation vote on the best one. Please send your suggestions to secretary@stpaulshowardsgrove.org. No last names please!

days to our 2023-2024 calendar. There will be no school on those days for students. An updated calendar is included through the link below. Additional inservice dates are highlighted in yellow. CLICK HERE FOR THE UPDATED CALENDAR

CALL UPDATES

Mr. Michael Wieting and Mrs. MeLissa Wieting are
 beginning week three of call deliberations. Mr. Wieting has been called to serve as our 7-8 grade
 classroom teacher and principal. Mrs. Wieting has been called to serve as 3K teacher and early childhood director. Both are currently serving at Trinity Lutheran School in Minocqua, WI.

Please keep the Wieting family in your prayers as they continue their deliberations. You are encouraged to reach out to them through email with any words of encouragement. Mr. Wieting – wieting1@hotmail.com & Mrs. Wieting – melissawieting@hotmail.com

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Join us on Sunday, June 11th for food and fellowship as we say goodbye to the Marohn family. Keep an eye out for sign-ups coming out at the end of April.

 There are two opportunities for worship on Good
 Friday. Worship times are 1:00 pm and 6:30 pm. All students in grades 1-8 will be singing at our
 1:00 pm service. Students can be picked up by parents any time after 12:30 pm to go to worship.

Students who do not have parents to sit with at worship will sit with their classroom teacher. All students should be picked up by 2:00pm when worship is over. There is no aftercare on Good Friday.

Preschool and Kindergarten parents can pick their child up between 12:30 pm and 1:00 pm for worship. Preschool and Kindergarten students will not be singing.

GOOD FRIDAY REMINDERS

- There is no busing Friday, April 7th
- There is no after school care Friday, April 7th
- Students are dismissed after worship on Good Friday at 2:00pm



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